

OpenID Foundation Board of Director Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2025

Attendees

- Dima Postnikov
- Marie Jordan
- Hideaki Furukawa
- Francisco Leme
- Mike Jones
- Mark Verstege
- Kosuke Koiwai
- Osamu Oshima
- Wes Dunnington
- John Bradley
- Aaron Parecki
- Atul Tulshibagwale
- Dirk Balfanz
- Takeo Kojima
- Robert Gallagher
- Naveen CM

Staff:

- Gail Hodges
- Mike Leszcz
- Mark Haine
- Tom Smedinghoff
- Paul Briault

Agenda

- Welcome (Nat & Gail)
- New News (Gail)
- Budget Summary (Mike L.)
- Conformance Scaling & Accreditation Options + Resolution to Approve Next Steps (Mark Haine)

- Decision: Agentic AI Community Group (Gail)
- Specifications Council Status & Resolution to Approve (Mike L)
- OIDF Groups Code of Conduct Policy (Mike L)
- SIDI Hub Update & Select Private Entity Invite (Elizabeth/Gail)
- Membership Update (Paul)
- Marketing Update (Elizabeth)
- Progress Against Strategic Initiatives 1H 2025 (Gail)
- AOB
 - Board office
 - OIDF (+SIDI) 2026 event May-October
 - Board role gaps
 - Stop/Start/Continue
 - Slack – transitioning to paid account
- Appendix
 - Financials, Directed Funding Overview

Summary of Key Items

Dima called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm PT. Gail welcomed the group to the meeting.

New News – Gail

- Gail went through the numerous amounts of work by the foundation to date (details on slide). Significant progress has been made in many areas.

Budget Summary (Mike L)

- The complete financials are included in the appendix of the board deck. The current cash balance is \$2.7M. Renewals are progressing as anticipated, and certification fees are approaching equilibrium. The foundation's expenses are below budget. The projected cash balance at year-end is \$2.2M. Mark H. inquired about a target for the renewal rate; Mike L. responded that no target has been set, and Gail indicated there are no issues to report.

Conformance Scaling & Accreditation Options + Resolution to Approve Next Steps (Mark H.)

- Mark presented a proposal to add a new conformance product to the existing offerings, specifying that it would serve as an additional service rather than replace current options. He outlined a plan for a 3-month project to define an accredited lab-focused model, followed by a 6-month period dedicated to implementation. The initiative is motivated by potential opportunities with the European Commission and MOSIP, with potential funding and support from various organizations. Mark noted the risks and challenges, including investment uncertainties and technological issues, and underscored the importance of effective project governance. The group discussed risks and challenges, such as fragmentation of conformance, reduced interoperability, and revenue loss were identified, along with the need for a model that accommodates a multi-party market, especially in Europe. John and Mike addressed the accreditation of labs, with John indicating that labs

might set high certification fees, and Mike mentioning the necessity for additional staff and resources. The discussion also included regulatory compliance considerations, particularly in Brazil, and the importance of mitigating single points of failure in the certification process.

- Mark presented a plan for a 9-month project to establish conformance testing capabilities, divided into a 3-month fact-finding stage and a 6-month delivery phase. The objectives include creating a business case, defining commercial terms, and developing technical requirements, with a proposed budget of \$260,000 for the entire duration. Funding for the initial phase would come from foundation resources, while future revenue streams from accredited labs and stakeholders are to be explored; commercial details will be determined during the project. Dima raised concerns about uncertainties and recommended a 3-month checkpoint to monitor progress. Gail and Mark described their approach of seeking preliminary board approval for 3 months of work, with the possibility of securing additional funding and extending the timeline based on future evaluations. The board agreed to review a resolution for the initial 3-month investment, with Dima highlighting the importance of reassessing the program's direction at the checkpoint.
- A resolution was proposed requesting approval for \$50,000 to fund resourcing and staffing for the initial three months of this initiative. George Fletcher moved to approve the request, and Wes seconded the motion. There were no dissensions or abstentions, and the motion was carried.

Agentic AI Community Group (Gail)

- Atul and George emphasized the need for a safe space for this community group, as no formal venues currently exist. Aaron noted that many documents come from different organizations and are often vendor-driven, highlighting the importance of focusing on identity rather than unrelated protocols. Naveen pointed out AI's growing role and the need for discussion. Dima supported forming the group, citing it as a sign of the foundation's industry leadership.
- A resolution to create the group was introduced, approved by Atul and seconded by Aaron, with no abstentions or objections. Resolution passed.

Specifications Council Status and Resolution to Approve (Mike L)

- Mike outlined the specs council's background and role. The board appointed Dima and Nat, while editors selected Mike J., John Bradley, Mark Haine, Dick Hardt, and Bjorn Hjelm as council members. With seven nominations for seven positions, no election was needed. A resolution to approve these members was passed unanimously after being moved by Mike Jones and seconded by Dirk.

OIDF Groups Code of Conduct Policy (Mike L)

- The updated code of conduct policy, found in the appendix, now covers groups, activities, and events beyond just working groups. Clear processes for chairs to reference are included, along with "note well" and "note really well" statements replacing anti-trust statements at meetings. These statements can be added to agendas or shared at meeting openings; they allow attendance without signing a contribution agreement. Suggestions

were made to clarify the distinction between workgroups and workshops within these statements.

- The new statements and code of conduct were approved unanimously, to be implemented immediately, with further adjustments possible after the summer. There may be additional training for chairs about these changes.

SIDI Hub Update & Select Private Entity Invite (Elizabeth/Gail)

- Gail provided an update on the initiative and progress toward the KPIs to date. Four categories of KPIs were established, and the group is currently on track to meet these objectives. The UNHCR workshop was cancelled due to budget reductions, with plans to potentially reschedule in the second half of the year. New relationships have been established in the global south, including with Aadhaar. The UNDP has requested that OI DF consider a directed funding relationship. There is an ongoing working relationship with the World Bank. Gail noted that 45 countries have participated in six SID Hub events over the past 18 months, and three countries (Norway, Japan, and France) have made investments. The key question for government stakeholders is whether this effort should be led entirely by the private sector or by the government. Gail asked the Board if anyone has been monitoring this work and is interested in participating in confidential private sector calls scheduled for the end of June.

Membership Update (Paul)

- Paul reported that two new corporate sustaining members have joined, bringing the total to 418 members—a 10% year-over-year increase. Retention remains strong. Eleven corporate briefings have been completed. The Microsoft standards team has been dissolved, and Gail is working on risk mitigation. Mike L noted steady growth in contribution agreements, indicating increased engagement.

Marketing Update (Elizabeth)

- Blog posts have shown steady engagement growth compared to other standards bodies. Gail requested feedback on a 2026 interoperability event at SIDI Hub. Staff will need to radically prioritise due to the increasing workload.

AOB (Mike J)

- As part of the liaison agreement with the FIDO Alliance, both parties promote each other's events. FIDO's annual Authenticate conference is in October, and Mike has provided its details for promotion. Mike J and Gail support the foundation's involvement, with Gail noting previous collaboration and ongoing coordination with Andrew Shikiar.

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 pm PT.